

**TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA  
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA  
COMMENDING THE INDIANA GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR IDENTIFYING  
THE NEED FOR A NEWBORN SAFETY INCUBATOR PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the health and safety of abandoned newborn children is an important public responsibility that requires the attention of state and local government officials; and

**WHEREAS**, the Whitestown Town Council, in its own effort to more fully support the protection of abandoned newborn children, has previously acted to designate and identify certain Town facilities as "Newborn Safe Havens"; and

**WHEREAS**, the 119<sup>th</sup> Indiana General Assembly has now adopted legislation, designated as House Enrolled Act 1016, that directs the Indiana State Department of Health to develop recommendations concerning standards and protocols for the installation and operation of newborn safety incubators; and

**WHEREAS**, a newborn safety incubator is a device that would permit a person to take custody of and care for an anonymously abandoned newborn in a timely manner; and

**WHEREAS**, the General Assembly's efforts will further the health and safety of abandoned newborn children and bring attention to this important public issue.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana, that the Town Council, on behalf of Whitestown residents and children, hereby commends the 119<sup>th</sup> Indiana General Assembly for its effort and leadership in identifying the need to initiate a newborn safety incubator program through the adoption of House Enrolled Act 1016.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE WHITESTOWN, INDIANA TOWN COUNCIL THIS 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2015.

THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE  
TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA

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Eric Miller, President

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**ATTEST:**

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Amanda Andrews, Clerk-Treasurer  
Town of Whitestown, Indiana  
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